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TOP AREA ATHLETES—Shown at a "briefing" before leaving for the 1961 National Conference, sponsored by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes are three young men selected to represent the Oakland-Berkeley Stake (left to right): Robert G. Olson, El Cerrito; Robert E. DeCelle, Alameda; and Kenneth G. Matheson, Oakland. Discussing travel and the camp, is W. Paul Summerhays, 2nd counselor in the Oakland-Berkeley Stake presidency.

Local LDS Athletes To Estes Park Meet

By Dale E. Roe

Three of Northern California's outstanding athletes and Christians, represented the Oakland-Berkeley Stake, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at the 1961 conference and camp sponsored by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Estes Park, Colorado, August 13-18, where they joined approximately 500 high school and college men and 50 coaches from all parts of the United States.

Nominated by Aaronic Priesthood committees, screened by the stake committee and finally selected by the Oakland-Berkeley Stake presidency were: Robert Olson of Berkeley 2nd Ward, a sophomore in high school; Robert deCelle, Jr., of Alameda Ward, a sophomore; and Kenneth Matheson, Oakland 3rd Ward, a senior.

Robert Olson is also an Eagle Scout, has three individual Aaronic Priesthood awards, plays the piano, is active in high school swimming, attends seminary and participates in all ward athletics.

Robert DeCelle, Jr., a second year seminary student, has had close to 100% attendance at church meetings, participated in Pacific Coast relays, and as a sophomore, equalled the record one-mile run in California high schools. He was a junior diplomat to Australia, sponsored by the San Francisco Chronicle in 1959 and has won honors at Stake Aaronic Priesthood Field Days.

Kenneth Matheson, also an outstanding athlete in Church and school, has been on the stake championship softball and basketball teams, and twice went with his team to All-Church basketball tournaments. In 1960 he was on the team which placed fourth in the All-Church tournament. He was a candidate for Fremont High School student body president, has his Duty to God award, and has five individual Aaronic Priesthood awards, four of them with 100% seals.

Alternate selections were: Howard Bybee of the Oakland 4th Ward; Don Carpenter, Berkeley 2nd Ward, and Robert Bassinger, Berkeley 1st Ward.

Nomination of these representatives was under the direction of M. Dee Smith, chairman of the stake Aaronic Priesthood committee. Final selection was by the Oakland-Berkeley stake presidency: O. Leslie Stone, Elmo R. Smith and W. Paul Summerhays.

Young men were required to be in good scholastic standing, be outstanding in school and Church athletics and have a knowledge and testimony of the gospel.

Aim of the national non-denominational conference, which each year brings together some of the country's best coaches and young Christian athletes, is "to make more real and vital within the individual life of the athlete the challenge of following Christ. . . and to enjoy fellowship, recreation and inspiration with some of the great Christian personalities in the world of sports."

Among coaches at the conference were: Warren Woodson, New Mexico State (small college coach of the year); John Weeden, UCLA; John Bridgers, Baylor; Carl Erskine, Los Angeles Dodgers (retired); and Dave Nelson, Delaware.

The Messenger

Roe To Edit Messenger

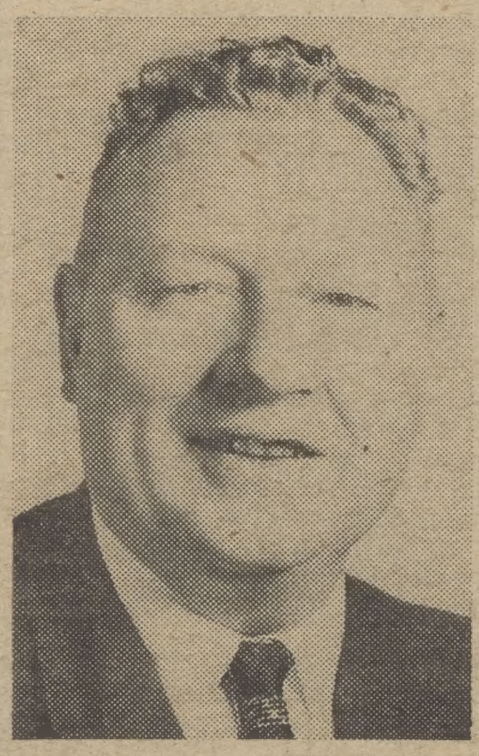
The editorial chair of the Messenger will be taken next month by Dale Roe, Oakland 4th Ward, who replaces J. Douglas Paulson, University Ward. Roe has had considerable newspaper experience. He worked many years on Idaho newspapers, and has helped out with the Messenger many times in the past. He brings to the job the experience of professional work plus a familiarity with this paper.

The former editor, Doug Paulson, is being transferred to Reno, Nevada, by the Social Security Administration. He and his wife, Norma, lived there last summer while working for Social Security as a student assistant. Paulson received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of California this June.

NEW EDITOR'S ADDRESS

All ward reporters are requested to send all their news copy to the new editor from now on: **Dale Roe, 5327 Hillen Dr., Oakland 19, Calif.** Any news stories sent to the previous editor's address may not get into Roe's hands in time to be printed.

The editors of the Messenger will assume no responsibility for copy or pictures sent to the wrong place, because there is a good chance that the post office may forward them to Nevada, and there will be no one at the old address to forward them properly.



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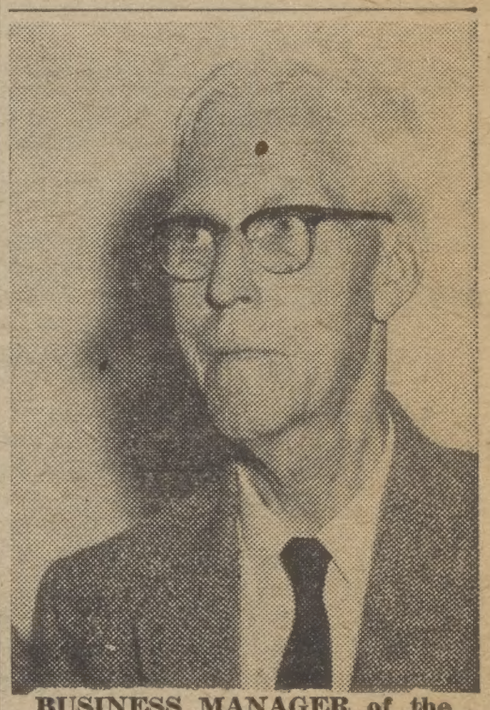


BUSINESS MANAGER of the Messenger—I. B. Ball

Sunnyvale Ward

Two More Elders From Sunnyvale

Two more missionaries have recently been called from the Sunnyvale Ward, Palo Alto Stake. Elder Jerry Bruce Ward reported to the headquarters of the Florida Mission during July and has already reported baptisms scheduled with some of the contacts he and his companion have been working with.

Jerry is the son of Louis and Virginia Ward. Louis Ward was the first bishop of Sunnyvale Ward. Jerry has been an outstanding leader and very active in the Church. He was secretary of his priests quorum and earned several individual awards for his Church activities.

Elder Michael Ray Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allie Anderson, was honored at a farewell testimonial on Sunday, Aug. 20, in the Sunnyvale Ward. He will report to the mission home on Sept. 11, prior to embarking for two and a half years service in the Swiss mission.

A lovely word picture of the country of Switzerland was painted for his friends by his brother Dean Anderson, as he spoke in behalf of the Anderson family at the farewell service. This was so that his many friends "might better picture Mike in his mission surroundings when they think of him during the months that he will be away."

Others who spoke at his testimonial were his bishop, a friend of the family, Glen Sanders, and Bishop Keith Garner of the Menlo Park Ward, a long time friend and associate of the family.

Explorers Car Wash

The Explorers of Post 13, Richmond Ward, are putting on a weekly car wash and polish as a courtesy of the Mel Parsons Texaco Service station at 5001 Cutting Blvd., in Richmond.

Mel Parsons, owner of the station, is an old scouter himself and MIA superintendent of the Richmond Ward.

Pleasant Hill Ward

Ward Softball Team Wins Region, Chance To Take Salt Lake Tourney

By MARGORIE M. BURR

The Pleasant Hill Ward softball team won the Northern California Region playoffs in Sacramento and has gone to Salt Lake City for the finals. Joe Diquattro as their coach. Bishop Matthews, Bob Hironymous and Paul Corbridge furnished the transportation to Salt Lake for the team. Others of the ward in Salt Lake to see the game are Ed Carlson, Jack Marshall, Olaf and Hope Sudweeks and children Jim and Judy.

Eight Explorers from our ward went for a two-day canoe trip. With leader Jim Carson, they went from Geyserville to Healdsburg on the Russian River, camping on the river bank overnight. All went well the first day except that one of the three canoes tipped over in swift water, with no damage to occupants or canoe.

The Explorers were not so fortunate the second day. Just before reaching Healdsburg, one of the other canoes hit a tree and upset, when the boys failed to paddle around the trees in swift water. Boys and gear got a good dunking and the canoe was damaged. They have been selling light bulbs to raise the money they will need to fix the canoe. Those making the trip were Jim Sudweeks, Ray Andre, Larry Bingham, Alan Petersen, Ken Henderson, Mike Gould, Mike Robison and Denton Rogers. They all had a good time but were very tired when they got home.

Twelve year old Barbara Betts was baptized and confirmed by the missionaries. Barbara became interested in the Church through attending Primary the past few years with the children of Keith and Mary Lou McCune.

Babies blessed in sacrament meeting were Scott Robert Burnham, son of Bob and Sue Burnham, and Clarissa Raone Perona, daughter of Ray and Maureen Perona. Those confirmed were Randy Kent Redden, Janet Carrie Marshall and Shannon McCune.

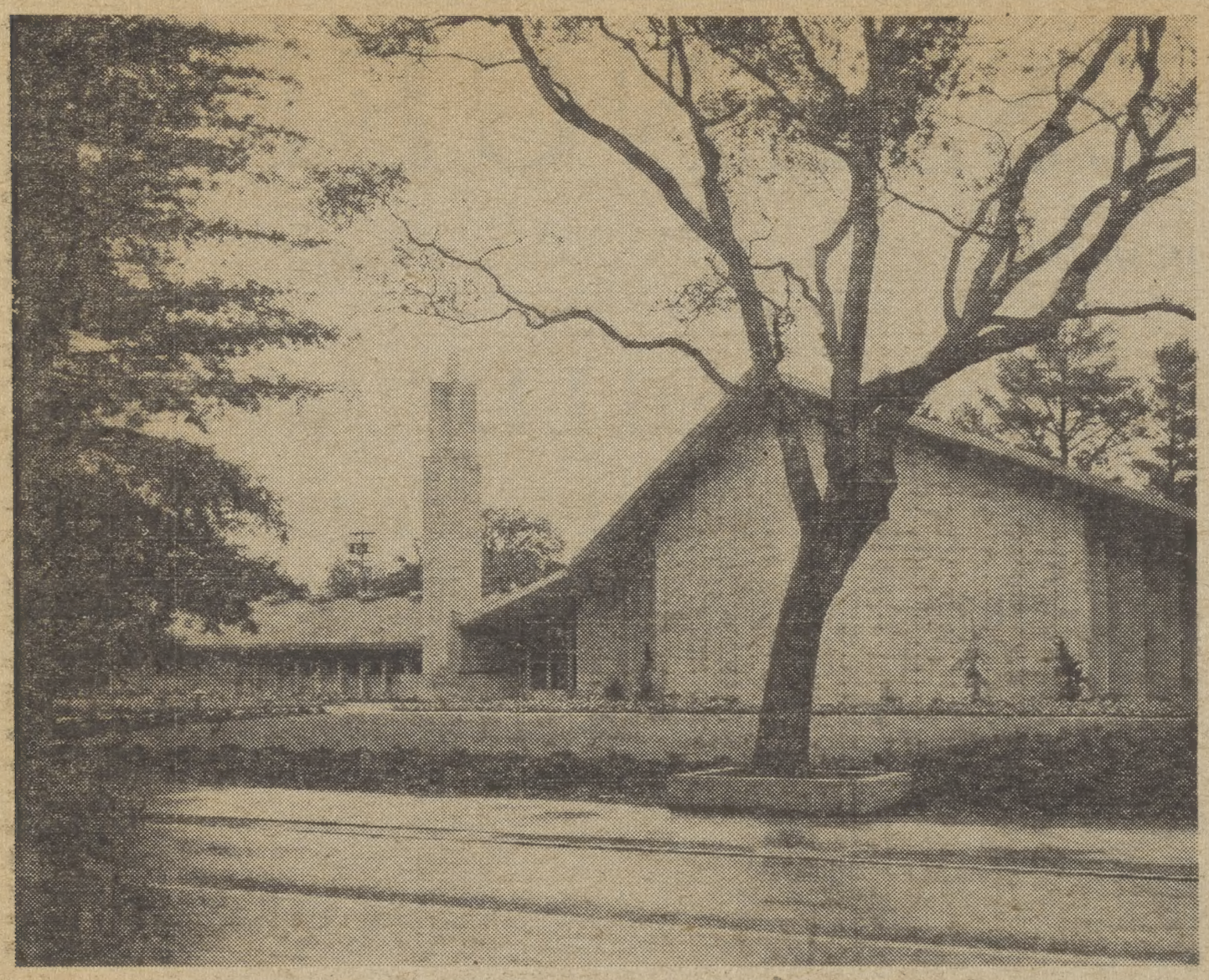
Leadership Week

Week Long Meet Success Story

Thousands of members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints crowded into the East Bay Interstake Center last week for a variety of Leadership Week classes and assembly lectures. The instructors and lecturers were greeted by record enthusiasm in class and audience response. Over 3,600 registered.

High spots of the activities of Leadership Week were the evening assembly meetings in which the speakers were Harold Glen Clark, of the BYU faculty, James Mussatti, general manager of the California State Chamber of Commerce, John Wahlquist, president of San Jose State College, Louis A. Rozzoni, president of the California Farm Bureau Federation, and Hon. George Christopher, mayor of San Francisco. All the speakers were met with warm applause and were surrounded by people eager to meet them after their speeches.

Those in charge of Leadership Week were vocal in their appreciation of the large attendance at classes and assembly programs. The continued high attendance for three years in a row indicated to them the need for continuing leadership and other adult education programs in the Northern California area, according to a spokesman of the adminstration.



SYLVAN SETTING — The new Palo Alto Stake House in its sylvan glade causes motorists to turn their heads as they go by on Valparaiso Ave., in Menlo Park. Photo by Bob McCrea.

San Rafael Ward

Major Changes in Ward Auxiliaries

By Nettie Clark

The auxiliary organizations of San Rafael Ward continue to undergo major changes. The Sunday School Superintendency was released when Ed Gilchrist, Burt Rowe, and Louis Tomlinson were given a vote of thanks for a job well done. Ed Ketker was made superintendent with Jim Dunford and Seth Burdett as counselors. Sister Jean Dunford was released as Primary president as were her counselors Darlien Sorenson and Claudia Bliss. Philletta Howard, who is the new Primary president, with Marjory Walton and Gae Robinson as her counselors. Philletta had her 8th child, Marta Berwith, on July 18. Our YWMIA president Rexine Glenn was also released and Donna Thayer was called to replace her.

All MIA officers and teachers who have served during the past year were honored at an unique party on Aug. 5. First they were hosted to a swim party at a private pool, then on to the chapel for games, dancing, and refreshments. The refreshments were outstanding also, with melon balls, fresh pineapple, chips and dips, and a huge cake with a swimming pool on the top tier with tiny icing figures swimming, floating, diving, and sun bathing, and a caption that read "Get into the swim with MIA."

Darlien Sorenson was guest of honor at a baby shower Aug. 7 at the home of Claudie Bliss. Jean Dunford was the co-hostess.

Bishop Juan Lynn, his wife Helen and daughter Derrith have returned from a trip to Wyoming, where they visited relatives.

San Francisco Stake

Promised Valley Plays Sept 8, 9

Persecuted & driven out of their homes by angry mobs in early winter, the Mormon Pioneers started their trek at their camp near Council Bluffs, Iowa, on the banks of the Missouri River. They waited there until spring before they started to move westward; their purpose was to establish a new colony outside the confines of the United States where they could live in peace.

They journeyed hundreds of miles with birth and death, sickness and hunger, and many enemies. But, with their strong faith and courage, they still kept going and finally established their colony in Utah, where they started their "new life."

This heartwarming story is retold in the production of "Promised Valley" which will be presented by the San Francisco Stake MIA on Sept. 8 and 9.

The music was written by Crawford Gates and Lyrics by Arnold Sundgaard.

Leads in the production will be Christina Politis, Pauline Lowry, Bob Mason, Noryel Craven and Aleck Townsley.

Tickets are on sale and can be purchased through all Ward and Stake MIA Leaders, as well as leaders from other ward auxiliaries.

The Relief Society is preparing for a rummage sale in September. If you have any useable clothing, furniture, appliances, toys, jewelry, etc. to donate to the sale, please call Sister Howard, GL 6-6477.

CHRIS POLITIS—leading lady

Palo Alto Stake

Sacred Grove Painting By Opal Millar

Sister Opal Millar, a talented artist and long-time member of Palo Alto Ward, recently executed a large oil painting of the Sacred Grove, which now decorates the High Council room of the Palo Alto Stake House.

A suggestion by Stake President David B. Haight that Sister Millar atempt a painting on a subject of significance to the Church prompted her to give the matter much thought.

Brother and Sister Millar had visited Palmyra, N. Y., the summer before Sister Millar started her painting

"I wakened my husband about 5:00 a.m. one morning," Sister Millar said, "and told him to project a colored slide of the Sacred Grove on our movie screen right away, because I felt ready to start work"

Many moments of frustration occurred during the work, and Sister Millar eventually spent almost one year on her project. She even made a trip to Sacramento to study the prominent root systems of the large elms there which resembled the trees in the picture.

The result of Sister Millar's diligence is a replica of the grove of trees in autumn. Red and bronze colors predominate and shafts of sunlight penetrate the trees. The painting, framed in gold, is 45" by 32"," the largest oil Sister Millar has yet executed.

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My Testimony

'Before Your Face'

By MABEL B. LIDDELL

"Behold, I send you out to reprove the world of all their unrighteous deeds, and to teach them of a judgment which is to come. And whoso receiveth you, there I will be also, for I will go before your face. I will be on your right hand and on your left, and my spirit shall be in your hearts and mine angels round about you, to bear you up." (D & C 84:87-88)

These assuring words of the Lord, revealed through the Prophet Joseph Smith, were given to the early missionaries in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints as they assembled in conference in Kirtland, Ohio, in 1832.

Christine Simister of Oakland 1st Ward, recalls vividly how these same words were fulfilled in her behalf while serving on a mission in Canada in 1933. Her mission president, Arthur Welling, asked her if she would be willing to accept a very difficult assignment in a small town in Manitoba.

CHASED OUT AT GUNPOINT

Some years earlier, the missionaries had been cruelly maligned by the people in this community, and had been chased out at the point of a shotgun. No missionary had been sent there in all the intervening years. President Welling felt impressed that the time was ripe for the gospel to be taken to these people and asked Christine if she and her companion would accept the assignment of opening this town for missionary work.

Christine felt very honored to be selected for this important task. With full faith that the Lord was guiding the mission president, she and her companion set out for their new proselyting area. They arrived there in the afternoon and secured lodging. It was about seven in the evening when they started out tracting from door to door.

The first person to answer their knock was a Protestant minister. Upon learning their identity he tried to frighten them away by telling them of the shotgun incident, which he seemed almost too familiar with. They asserted that they were fully aware of the shameful event but since the Lord had directed them there, they were not afraid.

MINISTER ENRAGED

He then started using very abusive language toward them and Christine had to remind him that this seemed entirely out of keeping with his profession. Then in a mild rage, he said, "You had better not go to the next house! You'll be sorry if you do!"

For two young ladies alone in a strange city, this response to their first knock was anything but fortifying. They walked slowly toward the next house, knowing full well that they must meet this challenge. Her companion voiced a half hearted hope, "Couldn't we go home now and come back when it's daylight?" Christine answered, "No, we must go on. We believe in this cause enough to die for it, so we must not turn back now. Anyway, I just saw the minister watching us out of his window. We must show him that we're not afraid!"

They walked up the steps of the next house and knocked, feeling very apprenhensive about the experience that might be waiting behind the closed door. After some delay a little elderly lady came to greet them. They felt warmed by her friendly greeting. After they told her who they were, she started to cry, saying, "Years ago two young Mormon elders came to my door to tell me about your church and a wonderful latter-day prophet. I can't remember his name."

Christine prompted her. "You mean the Prophet Joseph Smith?"

PRAYED FOR RETURN

"Yes, that's the one. I have never known why they left so suddenly and never came back. I have prayed every day since that time for their return."

These two brave young ladies were invited into her home and spent over two hours explaining the joyous news of the restored Church of Jesus Christ to this woman. She was overjoyed to receive the Book of Mormon and other literature.

When they returned home their landlady warned them that the ministers were already uniting the people of the town against them, warning everyone not to allow the lady missionaries in their homes or take any of their literature.

The next day and the next, and on for a month, Sister Simister and her companion went from door to door over the entire town. Never had they been more cordially treated. People invited them to dinner and bought so many Books of Mormon that their supply became almost exhausted.

Some of their listeners confessed that when they saw two nice young ladies at the door they hadn't been able to restain their curosity. "You look so human and harmless," they said.

After a month, Christine and her companion were sent to another town, leaving a courteous, friendly people waiting for the two elders that replaced them.

"I will go before your face and mine angels will be round about you to bear you up." What a blessed assurance to all of us who go forth to do our Heavenly Father's work in any calling whatever, if we will only overcome the discouragements that nearly always greet us at the beginning of our assignments.

Oakland 2nd Ward

Jay Rounds Division Supervisor In Ball-Playing Finnish Mission

By BETTY GROMMESH

Elder Jay Rounds was recently called to supervise the work in one of the three divisions of the Finnish Mission and will make his headquarters in the Mission Home in Helsinki. His new address is Neitsytpolku 3.A.4., Helsinki, Finland. Jay has been gone almost two years and his mission will end next spring.

Elder Rounds reports that the balls and bats donated to the mission by the 1st Quorum of Elders have been received and were immediately put to good use; not for entertainment of the missionaries, but as a prosselyting tool. It has been found that by introducing the American sport to young Finns that the missionaries in turn get acguainted with the parents, thus opening many doors to the missionaries.

Russell Blake, Brent Collard, and Michael McDonald of Oakand 2nd Ward were among 15 Explorer Scouts sailing aboard the Navy Transport USNA E. D. Patrik August 8, for a first round tour of Japan. There was a 24 hour stopover in Hawaii, then on to Yokahama. The boys were guests of the Boy Scouts of Japan and lived with a Japanese family during part of their visit. The group spent 10 days in Japan and visited Tokyo, Osaka, and several other points of interest. They will return to the United States on Sept. 11.

The tour director is Robert DeCelle of Alameda. He is assisted by two other adult advisors

The boys were chosen from several Explorer Posts in the East Bay including Berkeley, El Cerrito, Richmond, Fremont, Livermore and Oakland. They qualified on the basis of scholarship, church activity and citizenship.

Brent Collard was chosen to give a talk aboard the ship at the Church gathering including investigators. This was one of Brent's first chances to do some real missionary work.

COMMITTEE CHANGE

There has been a change in the Oakland 2nd Ward genealogical committee. Danny Brush was released as Chairman and David Applegate as 1st assistant. Danny had served about a year and David almost six years.

The new chairman is Doyle Fullmer, who is a seventy. He has been in the ward about a year He is also serving as teacher of the Gospel Doctrine class in the adult Sunday School. For his 1st assistant he has selected LeRoy Sparks, an elder and the husband of our state research director.

The Teacher Training class gave a program Aug. 13, celebrating their graduation. The instructor was Pearl Sparks, and those graduating were: Richard Allphin, Betty Allphin, Jean Stein, Winifred White, and Sally Wison.

Our MIA sponsored a family picnic Aug. 15, which was enjoyed by 50 people of the ward. Horseshoes and baseball were played. On Aug 18, our ward joined with the San Leandro 1st Ward for a swimming party. After the swim, the gang met in our recreation hall for chili.

FAMILY VISIT

Our Stake Missionaries, Grover and Clara Orton, have had quite a visit with their sons, daughters and families

Those coming to California to visit were: Charles and Maydene Jones from Riverton, Wyoming; Byron and Golden Orton from Salem, Utah; Fred and Sara Baird from Orem, Utah; Julia and Cathy Wagner from Riverton, Wyoming; and Stanley and Evelyn Olsen from Utah. Also 16 grandchildren came.

Many of our families are still on the move for vacations or otherwise. The Merle Morrises and Allan Johnsons are in Utah; William and Donna Beard have returned from Arkansas; the Alfred Holders from Yellowstone, Glacier and Seattle, Washington; the Ray Dartons and Herbert Grommeshes from Salt Lake and Yellowstone, and the William Shaws from their cabin near Twain Harte

The Richard Whites made a trip to Salt Lake City prior to leaving the United States for two years. Dick is being sent to Ghana, by Kaiser Steel Corporation. He will take his family with him, consisting of his wife, Lyn, and two daughters, Tracie and Kelly.

Bishop John Drushal has returned from Salt Lake City where he attended the funeral of his sister.

Last month's report that Norman Larsen entered the armed services was in error. Two days before he was scheduled to be flown to Lackland AFB for basic training he decided not to go in the service

Also, as in last month's report, the genealogy convert was not William McCreight and he was not 78, but it was Daniel McCreight and he is 87. William is Daniel's father who is deceased.

Hayward Ward

Walter Duncan Returns From European Study

Walter Duncan has returned from Stuttgart, Germany, where he studied for six months at Stanford's campus there. He toured Europe, England and Russia for six weeks at the end of his studies, which also included visits to Europe's major cities. Walter is the son of Maye and Albert Duncan. He will return to the Palo Alto Stanford campus in the fall, where he has two more years work toward his degree in math and physics.

A party was held by the Senior Aaronic Priesthood members at the home of Cleve and Gene Norris. Cleve is chairman of the Senior Aaronic Committee.

Sheryl and Richard Bohn and their two small sons have moved back to Utah, where Richard is employed at Thiokol in Brigham City. Before their departure Sheryl was honored by her friends at an informal reception. Among the guests was her sister, Elaine Fenton, who now lives in Burley, Idaho.

The first Saturday of August was the date of the Ward Picnic held in Redwood Regional Park. Watermelon was furnished by the ward, and all those who attended had such a good time they hope many more will attend next year.

That same weekend Boy Scouts of the troop were missing, being very occupied at Diamond O camp in the Yosemite area.

They went on a twenty-five mile hike under the direction of Eugene Haines, Scoutmaster.

Members of the ward dug deep to contribute generously to the rummage which was sold August 12, to augment the Welfare fund.

Hayward Ward choir has been asked to take the part of the choir in the Hayward Stake program of "Promised Valley" to be presented in September at the Interstake Center. Suzanne Lyon is director with Diane Ahlin accompanist.

Martinez Ward

Two Bishops Visit Ward

By AFTON HIPWELL

Bishop and Sister Kest spent a Sunday at Church in the Martinez Ward. Elder Kest was the first bishop of the ward.

Bishop Wayne McIntyre, his wife, Edith, and their children George and Fern Mosier were also visitors at Sunday School last month.

Donald Cottom is the new ward financial clerk.

New members in the ward are the Paul Hunters, who live in Port Chicago.

SUMMER VISITORS

Last month Nan Fullmer was visiting here from Avacortes, Wash.

Floyd and Florence Carter of Salt Lake City were guests at the Ira Leffler home. Florence is Lorraine's sister.

Mable Wadsworth is home from Salt Lake City, where she helped out while a new granddaughter was being born. It was Nelson's second daughter.

Visiting at the Werner Vom Dorp home is their daughter and her husband Ronald Hughes and their children Shirley and Charles, who came down from Portland, Ore.

The Kermit Perrins home got a visit from their daughter and family, the Roger Tylers.

Funeral services were held in the ward for Robert Patterson, who died recently. Burial was at Brigham City, Utah.

Sandra Harrison, Ester Ellis and Audrey Morgan were all hospitalized and underwent surgery during the past month.

Margaret Elizabeth and Kevin Loraine Knowles were confirmed members of the Church Aug. 6.

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Menlo Park Ward

Couple Honored At Open House -Wed 40 Years

By Angela B. Haight

Mr. and Mrs. C. Owens of Menlo Park Ward were the surprised guests of honor at an open house comemmorating their fortieth wedding anniversary Aug. 13.

The Owens' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dickenson Reeves (Helen Owens), of San Mateo Ward, hosted over 85 friends of Helen's parents from all over the Bay Area.

The Reeves' home was decorated with a profusion of flowers, and the dining table was centered with a beautiful four-tiered wedding cake made by Sister Reeves. A friend who is a professional had decorated the home-made cake for Sister Reeves.

Many of the guests dated their acquaintance with the Owens to 1918, when Sister Owens, then Betty Peterson, came to San Francisco to spend the winter. Sister Owens met her husband in January, 1919, and never returned to Salt Lake City. They were married Aug. 13, 1921, and the following year Brother Owens became a member of the Church.

Sister Owens was the secretary of the first MIA in the San Francisco Branch, and since that time, she and her husband have held many branch, ward and stake offices.

JUNE BRIDE—Myrna J. Green and her husband Allen S. Chandler

Centerville Ward

Myrna Joye Green Temple Bride Of Allen Steven Chandler in June

Myrna Joye Green and Allen Steven Chandler were married in the Los Angeles Temple, Friday, June 30. Myrna's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Earle Green of Fremont, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schroeder of Los Angeles were among those present Mrs. Schroeder, the former Ludeen Egbert of Preston, Idaho, is a close friend of the bride, and they were companions while attending BYU.

Following the wedding, the newlyweds were honored at a luncheon at Truman's Restaurant by the bride's parents.

The honeymoon was spent in Southern California, and on up the coast to Carmel and Monterey..

A reception was held for the couple on July 7, at the Centerville Ward Chapel. Tall white baskets of white gladioli with fluffy white satin bows flanked each side of the flagstone fireplace in the lounge of the recreation hall, where the receiving line was formed.

The wedding cake on a round mirror was resting on a table covered with white satin and net surrounded by pink carnations and centered with lily of the valley.

The bride wore a formal gown of white silk organza and silk chantilly lace, fashioned from an Alfred Angelo original by Anna Holm and assisted by the bride's mother. The lace yolk with a scalloped Sabrina neckline and long pointed sleeves were embroidered with seed pearls following the rose design in the lace. The sweeping bouffant skirt was draped and caught with french organza roses forming a bustle effect in the back.

The bride carried a cascade of stephanotis and baby roses centered with a white orchid.

Miss Gayle Bringhurst was her maid of honor, and only attendant. Her gown was aqua chiffon, and she carried a fan bouquet of pink carnations and gladioli edged with pink net.

The bride's mother wore an ice blue silk organza gown and white orchid corsage

The groom's mother was attired in navy blue with a white organza petal hat. She wore a pink orchid.

Mrs. Coleen Fleming, sister of the groom, wore a green floral silk print sheath covered with net which was accented with a gold orchid corsage.

An old tradition of passing small packages of groom cake were passed around, carried in a white basket and tied in small pink net bags with white bows.

Larry Green, brother of the bride, and Vaughn Pugmire were ushers.

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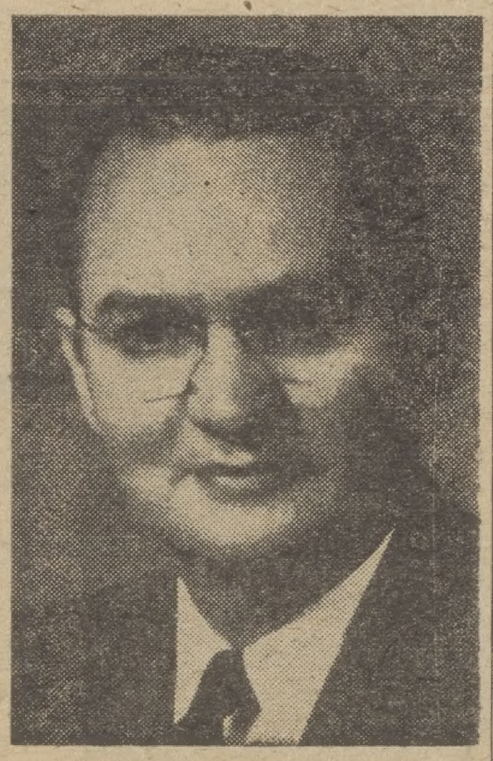

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Castro Valley Ward

51 of Family at Stokes Reunion

By AFTON EAGLES

Fifty-one members of the Henry and Edna Stokes family joined together in a three day family reunion in Twin Falls, Idaho. Mr. and Mrs. Stokes have seven children, thirty-one grand children, and three great-grandchildren. All attended the reunion.

The entire group enjoyed a day of horseback riding and on another evening during the get-together they rented the Roller skating rink and all enjoyed roller skating, even those who had not done such things for years. However, the most significant and outstanding event took place the last evening when all joined in a circle, each with his immediate family together and a testimonial was held. Everyone participated from the youngest to the oldest.

This is the third such reunion for the Stokes family. The first one, three years ago, was held to organize the group. Last year the reunion was held at the home of the eldest Stokes son, Quinn Stokes, in Hayward. This year it was hosted by the next in line, who is their son, Eldon Stokes, and his wife Eloise.

The missionaries of the Castro Valley area have been bringing new members into the fold. In the past few weeks, the following members have been baptized: Sister Betty Pitman, and her four daughters, Linda Lou, Marjorie Ann, Lois Elle, and Judith Lynn. Sisters Billie Rice, Sharon Wheeler, Laureen Loder and Jim Loder were also baptized.

The Castro Valley Relief Society will hold their annual Bazaar Oct. 28, in the recreation hall in the Castro Valley Chapel. There will be many fine items for sale. Many hours of work and planning go into the preparation of this bazaar to make it a success and in the making of all the many fine articles to be sold.

Rosemary Ludwig has resigned as visiting teacher message leader and Grace Gordon has assumed those duties. Katherine Ferrino is the magazine representative.

The Maurice McFadden family is on a three week vacation in Idaho.

Youths Back To School

By LOIS H. BUTLER

The next few weeks will see young people of Walnut Creek go to many campuses to continue their education. Linda and Diane Skidmore will return to BYU as senior and sophomore. Anita Bledsoe, Carolyn Jones, and Joe Hilton will be going as freshmen. Lucy Christiansen, a senior, Olive Martineau, a sophomore and Julius Martineau, a junior, will be at the University of California.

At Diablo Valley College Paul Clark will attend the first semester and then finish his junior year at U. C. Janice Marker and Don Lee are sophomores at Diablo. Danny Monaco, Pat and Mike Lee will be freshmen there. Kay Christiansen will attend Fresno State for her third year. Sydne Rogers will be at the Stanford campus in Florence, Italy. She is a sophomore.

The following high school graduates have good jobs and will continue in them for the present with possible school next year: Thelma Harris, Priscilla Reed, Penny Cherrington, and Trevor Mottishaw. Karl Stohl is serving in the Army and Jim Hezlitt in the Air Force.

EUROPE TOUR

Bruce Muir will leave Sept. 21 for Europe where he will meet his brother, Elder Russell Muir, when he completes his mission in Finland. Then the two of them will tour most of Europe for the next six weeks. Russell and Bruce will attend the BYU second semester.

Joan Uffins has had educational plans interrupted by a virus paralysis that kept her in the hospital two weeks and now requires home therapy. Joan is a kindergarten teacher in Junior Sunday School.

Janae Bledsoe Towle is now a teacher in the nursery class.

Sister Corry Snel took her Sunday School class of twelve year olds to Castle Rock for an all day picnic and swim.

GIRLS CAMP

For the first week of MIA camp, Barbara Dalby, Addie Schow, and Ruth Brown went as leaders with Portia Pyle, Cheryl Beck, and Diana Dalby as junior leaders. Diana, a niece of the Dalbys from Logan, is spending the summer with them. The girls at camp were: Patty Bickley, Shawna Brown, Nancy Burrows, Rachel Beck, Karen Clark, Marilyn Johnson, Peggy Kampa, Linda Mortenson, Kathleen Moore, Terry and Kathy Peterson, Louise and Sandra Pratt, Gail Schow, Pat Southward, Gaye Thomas, also Kathy Kimball and Judy Strom from Danville.

The older girls went the second week with Claudia Clark from Danville as leader and Diane Skidmore, junior leader. The girls were: Linda Barker, Cheryl Beck, Keena Krey, Diana McCallister, Ginny Muir, Susan Nelson, Portia Pyle, Pamela Strobel, Carol Willert and Caroline Wison. These girls went on a three-day survival hike in which they built their own shelters and lived on dehydrated foods.

The Mutual will hold an Opening Social Sept. 5, with Lafayette-Orinda Ward. There will be dancing with an orchestra.

Darrell Williams is the new Age-Group Counselor in the YMMIA.

David Methven was baptized and confirmed a member of the Church by Elders Russon and Applegarth, stake missionaries. David became interested in the Church because of members he knew and admired. He phoned Bishop Bickley for more information about the Church. David finished high school this spring, is working now and planning to attend Colorado School of Mines at Golden, Colorado, this fall.

GUIDE PATROL

The Scout Guide Patrol has enjoyed a full summer program which included attending a S. F. Giants game. They met several times at City Park where they played badminton and baseball. One week they swam at the Pyle pool and had a lesson and refreshments there. August 26 they went to Guide Patrol Camp Herms in Berkeley for the day. There some participated in a five-mile hike, passed tests in second class scouting, and all enjoyed swimming.

The Relief Society is planning an opening social for Sept. 26. Margaret Krey is general chairman. The next work meeting will be an important one since the bazaar is coming Nov. 18, and much work needs to be done. It is planned that the ward have a walnut booth with walnuts and walnut confection for the Stake Fun Fair.

Three babies arrived this month. Frank and Virginia Lozono had their third child; Jim and Shirley Osborn, their fourth; and Henry and LaVon Pardini, their tenth. All were boys.

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Family Reunion

Arley Rollins Family Together

Oakland was the setting for the reunion of Arley Rollins and her ten children, her grandchildren and great grandchildren, on July 15 and 16. It was the first time the family had been together since 1940. Those attending the gathering were Verzilla Rollins Albee, and her children, Albert, Ronald and Patty, from Sunnyside, Washington; Orson Rollins from Craig, Colorado; and Joseph Rollins.

Lafayette Rollins from Gridley Stake, and his children, Charlotte Rollins Taylor, Annette Rollins and Jane Rollins; Lafayette's grandchildren, Sharon and Cynthia Taylor; Harry and Joan Rollins Proudfit and their two children, Darlene and Nancy, from Hayward; and Clark and Iona Rollins Reynolds with their daughters, Virginia and and Janet Young.

Frank and Viola Rollins Gray and their children, Mary and Wesley, from Chico; Iris Rollins, his wife Helen, their children, Rex Levoy, Edwin, and Patty from San Jose; Rex Rollins and his wife, Catherine, from Marysville; and Vera Johnston from Oakland 4th Ward.

ROLLINS REUNION—Posing at the recent reunion of the family of Arley Rollins of Oakland 4th Ward are, from left: Boys, Ivis Harrison, Orson Hyde, Charles Lafayette, Joseph Hyrum and Rex R. Rollins. Girls kneeling, Joan Poudfit, Vera Johnston, Arley Rollins, Viola Gray and Iona Reynolds. Seated in front is Vergiela Alber.

Walnut Creek Ward

Richard Hart Now in Texas

Richard R. Hart, of the Walnut Creek Ward, departed July 9, for the mission headquarters in Salt Lake City to receive his long desired instructions for a Mexican Mission. However, while there, it was learned his destination had been changed to the Spanish American Mission, with headquarters in San Antonio, Texas.

He writes of his delights in this field—"This is the only mission in the world where you can have the advantage of a foreign mission with advantages of the good old U.S.A. Also all of the foreign missionaries have trouble putting their training into English, but here we have to learn scriptures and lessons in both languages. I'm happy I'm here."

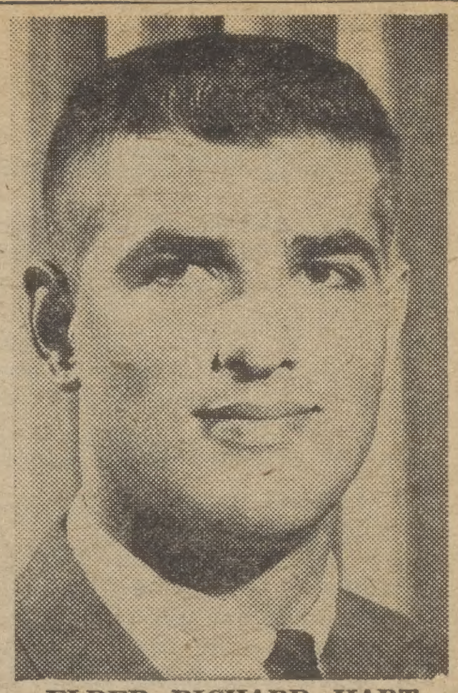
Elder Hart has an extensive knowledge of the Spanish language and a background acquired from close relations and interest with his uncle, Tom Ferguson. He worked three months with Ferguson, learning of and understanding the Mexican people.

He spent the past two years at BYU as a business administration major, affiliated with the "Brickers" social unit, and was a board member of the National Student Association.

Elder Hart graduated from the Bullard High School in Fresno where he was elected junior class president, elected the second term as student body president, received the Bullard High "Knight of the Year" award. In track, he held the cross country record, and also excelled in football and tennis. He was secretary treasurer of the Lettermen's Club.

A farewell testimonial was held for Richard July 9, in the Walnut Creek Chapel. The invocation was given by Paul Clark, speakers were his uncles, Dr. Melvin G. Hart, Tom and Sam Ferguson, and also John L. Hilton, and Bishop Mark Bickley. The benediction was by Armand L. Mauss.

We had a surprise visitor come and talk with the priesthood members and especially with the Aaronic Priesthood—Bishop Joseph Wirthlin from Salt Lake City.



ELDER RICHARD HART

Claremont Ward

Welfare Carnival Comes Sept. 15

By Betty Moss

Claremont Ward is looking forward to its Welfare Carnival to be held Sept. 15. Festivities will be going on in the "Chinese Marketplace" from five to nine. During this time the Relief Society will serve a Chinese dinner, and votes may be bought for the election of our own "China Doll." Offered in the market place will be many items, among them Christmas cards and wrappings, storage foods, and homemade baked goods. There will be plenty of entertainment for all. Don't let yourself be found anyplace else on Carnival night!

Leslie Davis and Benjamin Buck were married by Bishop Wood in a wedding ceremony in the chapel Aug. 5. The wedding was followed by a reception, after which the newlyweds left for a week in Utah. Since the couple will be living in El Cerrito, Leslie will be leaving us for Berkeley 2nd Ward soon.

The Boy Scouts hiked 50 miles along the John Muir Trail, going south from Tuolumne Meadows. Carrying 25 lb. packs, they hiked into the country for a week, relying on dried foods and fresh fish for food. Those who survived the diet were Paul Bary, Dave Wilkins, Bob Kasow, Bobbie Morgan, Vernon Muhr, Jr., Vernon Muhr, Sr., Bryan Moss, and Marvin Moss.

Helen and Dean Madsen are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Peggy Lee and Ed Lewis also have an new baby girl in their home.

Joan and Jerry Nomura also added to the baby population with a new girl.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Helen Baker. She has been interred at the National Cemetery at the Presidio.

Berkeley 1st Ward

Berkeley 1st, Claremont Team Up 'School Daze' Opening Social Theme

By Charlene Jensen

"School Daze" will be the theme of the Berkeley 1st Ward MIA opening social on Sept. 5, held jointly with Claremont Ward. Sue Evans and Jim Gardner are in charge of decoration. School books, acorns, pencils, etc., on the giant scale will be some of the items used. A splendid program is being planned and Claremont Ward plans to come up with some special advertising and refreshments. There will also be a special tribute to the new Beehive girls.

Sept. 12 is a special night for all of the girls—including the girls graduating from Primary and others coming into the Beehive class. A special program is planned and awards will be given. The refreshments will be furnished by the girls themselves as contestants of the "bake off." The boys can come in later to sample the goodies.

Our Young-In-Heart firesides are being planned and they promise to get off to a good start the first part of September. They will be held twice a month after sacrament meeting on Sundays.

Walt Carter, his wife and son have come to the ward. Walt plans to attend the University of California this fall.

Several students who have been here for the summer will be leaving for school this fall: Carolyn and Lynette Eyring, Connie Sparks, Mike Carter, Jerry Basinger, Bob Bramwell, Marge Sabine, Sue and Tom Fife, Sue Bailey, Sue Evans, and Norma Hadley. Beth Ann Strebel will be teaching school in Southern California.

Leaving within a short time after completing their schooling at U.C. are: Myron and Vivian Best, to Toronto, Canada, Ed and JoAnn Peterson to Southern California, Larry and Louise Peterson will stay in this area, Mike and Cherie Tower, to Hayward. Doug and June Brown go to Utah, Reed and Martie Condie, to Oakland, Reggie and Joyce Grimmett, to Provo, Utah (BYU), Richard and Carma Anderson, to Provo, Utah (teach at BYU).

Richard Anderson and his wife Carma were the main speakers in church in a farewell meeting since they will be leaving for the BYU shortly. Dick taught the gospel doctrine class and Carma was chorister of the Junior Sunday School and librarian. James Sandmire will be the new instructor of the Gospel Doctrine class. His wife Dauna is on the stake board of the MIA.

Delton G. Bramwell, after a decade of dedicated service has been released from the position of superintendent of the Sunday School to accept a position with the Stake Board Sunday School. Dr. A. Arnold Isaacson has accepted the position of superintendent with counselors Larry Peterson and Kenneth Bailey staying with their same positions.

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Sunnyvale Ward

Gerry Hart AFS Student

Frank G. (Gerry) Hart was recently an exchange student in Heidi, Germany, under the auspices of the American Field Service. Gerry, a senior at Fremont High, is planning a college career in either science or law. He has been elected president of the class of 1962. He was selected by AFS on the basis of leadership, school activity and grades. He applied for the exchange program last fall.

Gerry stayed with the family of Rudolf Peters, manager of a dairy farm in a small town near Heidi. Peters has two sons, 17 and 13, and Gerry was able to converse with them in German from the courses he took at Fremont.

"It is a responsibility, because Germans will judge America by what they see in me," is how Jerry viewed the trip. "Of course, it was a great experience for me too."

Gerry returned to the United States on August 24, after sailing from Rotterdam. He has received many individual awards in his Church activities. He is now stake Ensign president. When he left, he was fireside president and has been in the presidency of most of his priesthood quorums. He graduated from seminary this year. He is the son of Bishop and Sister Frank G. Hart of Sunnyvale Ward.

Gerry attended priesthood, Sunday School and sacrament meeting at a branch of the Church in Heidi. He was also able to secure a copy of the Book of Mormon in German as a gift for the family with which he stayed and was privileged to be able to discuss the gospel with them.

GET SCHOLARSHIPS

Marilyn Sneddon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Sneddon, 1720 Kimberly Dr., Sunnyvale, received a scholarship to the BYU where she plans to major in political science.

GERRY HART—exchange student

Betsy Sonnichsen, another young lady from the Sunnyvale Ward has been the recipient of a tuition free scholarship to the BYU this fall. She was awarded the scholarship on the basis of her academic achievements. She is the daughter of Mrs. Almira Sonnichsen, 236 Carmelita Drive, Mountain View.

LaVern Broughton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis E. Broughton, 22100 McClellan Road received two scholarships. A one year music scholarship from the San Jose State College and a full scholarship from the Richards Foundation. She will major in music.

John Crew, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Crew, 1067 Bernardo Avenue, Sunnyvale, received a full scholarship to the College of Southern Utah in Cedar City, Utah.

Karen Nead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip D. Nead, 11835 Warner Avenue, Cupertino, won a nine months scholarship to the San Jose Beauty College.

University Ward

McCrea Captures Photo Awards

Robert C. McCrea of the University Ward has been getting a steady stream of awards for his achievements in photography. In the past two months alone he has received five or six awards from the Professional Photographers of Northern California, of which he is a member. (See picture this page.)

His night photograph of the Kaiser Center in Oakland has also been selected and published in the "1961 Rangefinder Annual of Western States Photography."

He has also had several of his photos published in the Messenger and in the Deseret News. He currently is doing most of the photographic work for the Oakland-Berkeley Stake.

Elder McCrea first started in photography some 25 years ago at the age of 12, when he bought his first camera for a whopping five dollars. Now he is listed in the Professional Photographers of California Yearbook and Directory.

At present Bob is manager of the Navy Exchange Portrait Studio, U.S. Naval Air Station, Alameda, California. He also works out of his home studio located at 452-B 62nd St., Oakland. He photographs weddings, parties, and home portraits, and does commercial photography too. A special service offered by McCrea is microfilming and copying for genealogy. He is also equipped for natural color photographs.

Elder McCrea found his bride, Mary, in the University Ward, and they were married in the Salt Lake Temple in March, 1958, and they are still members of the ward in which they met. They have two much-photographed and very photogenic sons, Michael and Brian.

PRIZE WINNERS—Photographer Bob McCrea shows off some of the pictures which have brought him awards in the past two months from the Professional Photographers of Northern California.

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Alameda Ward

LDS Men Aboard 1st Fleet Ships

By LUE SEAVEERS AND DONNA RICE

The attack aircraft carrier USS Ranger from Alameda and seven other warships of the First Fleet set sail August 11, for extended deployment in the Western Pacific. There are a number of LDS men aboard who have been very active in the Alameda Ward including Commander Melvin E. Call and Lt. J. G. Thomas Melville. Doris Call and family accompanied Melvin's father, Patriarch Call, home to Bancroft, Idaho, after he underwent surgery in San Francisco Tom's wife, Pauline Melville, has gone to Salt Lake to be with her parents to await the stork and the return of her husband.

The Carlsen Family is moving to San Lorenzo. They have been very active in the ward.

The winners at the Alameda County Fair were reported incorrectly last month. Lillian Dagley won a number of blue ribbons on her cakes, as well as ribbons on other things. Jeannie Daniels won the sweepstakes in the canning division, plus ribbons on other items she entered in the Fair.

Paul W. Dempsey took Carolyn Muirbrook for his bride in a wedding ceremony performed by Bishop George Pinkney in the chapel July 29.

Edna Burke spent a week with her daughters in Southern California and returned home accompanied by three of her granddaughters.

Vera Soots has returned from Salt Lake City where she spent three weeks.

Joan Kirk has returned to Alameda after an absence of several months. Her parents accompanied her from Salt Lake and will visit here awhile.

We've had two more elders ordained recently. They are Claud Wall and George Helfer.

Bishop Pinkney and his wife Violet journeyed south to be present when their new grandson was blessed - David Jr.

WELCOME HOME

There was a double welcome home Aug. 13 honoring our two returned missionaries - Joyce Fonoimoana and Tom Hatch. They gave an inspirational report of their missions. Joyce will leave us soon to return to Hawaii.

Donald Hughes returned from the French Mission Aug. 11, and his whole family met him including his oldest sister, Elaine Parry, from Nampa, Idaho. Before leaving Europe he visited with the Thys Winkles in Holland and Elder Ove Andreasen in Copenhagen. He said that they sent their best wishes for all their friends.

William and John Clayson's oldest brother Lester passed away in Salt Lake City.

Merrill and Betty Hansen and their children visited with members of both families in Weiser, Idaho, their home town. After returning home, Betty slipped a spinal disc and was hospitalized. Then their son Jimmy fell while playing and broke his back and wrist. He is still wearing a cast.

Marina Harrison accompanied eight girls of the ward to Pinecrest camp as their leader. They all enjoyed themselves and are eager to go again.

Lee and Pat Stamps are busy with a new baby whom they named Enid.

Elder Shumway left Alameda after many months of excellent missionary work. He has been transferred to Oregon.

Oakland-Flagstaff

Nancy Hallman Now Married

In Mesa, Arizona, where their first home will be, are Mr. and Mrs. James Arvin Randall (Nancy Hallman). Nancy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Hallman of Oakland Ward Her father is in the Oakland-Berkeley Stake Sunday School superintendency. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Randall of Flagstaff, Arizona, where Elder Randall serves in the stake presidency and Mrs. Randall in the Stake Relief Society.

They were married in the Salt Lake Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints by Elder Delbert Stapley, a close friend of the Randall family. A wedding reception was held in the Oakland Ward Aug. 18, and another reception was held in Flagstaff on Aug. 25.

A gown of Chantilly lace and tulle over satin was worn by the bride, with a fitted lace bodice and full skirt of tulle ruffles and a lace overskirt in an apron effect. A seedpearl crown held her veil and she carried a bouquet of white spider chrysanthemums.

Her attendants were her sister, Mrs. Wesley Howard Johnston (Kathy Hallman) as Matron of Honor, Carolyn Doxey, and Idon and Susan Randall, sisters of the groom. All wore bell-skirted frocks of coral organza over taffeta and coral net hats. They carried bouquets of bronze-colored spider chrysanthemums.

Best man was Richard Shumway of San Lorenzo, a cousin of Jim's and also bishop of San Lorenzo Ward. Paul Hoyt Hallman, brother of the bride, officiated as usher.

The bride's mother wore a gown of biege lace over satin. Both wore corsages of white orchids.

The groom's parents came from Arizona for the Oakland reception, and also in Bay Area from Salt Lake City were Nancy's aunts and uncles, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd E. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley H. Johnson, together with cousins Scott and Susan Davis, Richard, Jonet and Judy Johnson, Randy Hoyt King and William Hoyt Bailey.

The new Mrs. Randall is a recent graduate of Brigham Young University. She plans to teach elementary school in Mesa, Arizona, this fall. Jim has fulfilled a mission in the New England States for the Church. He has attended Brigham Young University and now plans to complete his studies in architecture at Arizona State University.

MISS GAYLE EVANS

Berkeley 2nd Ward

Gayle Evans Wins School Election

Gayle Evans, daughter of Jack and Elaine Evans of Berkeley 2nd Ward, won the office of Girls Association President in the June elections at Berkeley High School. Gayle said that the responsibility of the job doesn't worry her, because she has had good preporation while serving as social secretary for the girl's association the previous semester.

Besides her school work, in which she is taking a college preparatory course, Gayle has other things to keep her busy. She sings in the A Capella Choir and plays the harp in the orchestra.

This year will be Miss Evan's fifth in Seminary classes. She said, "It's not because I flunked one year, because I have always had passing grades. The reason I will attend seminary five years is that I started in the eighth grade."

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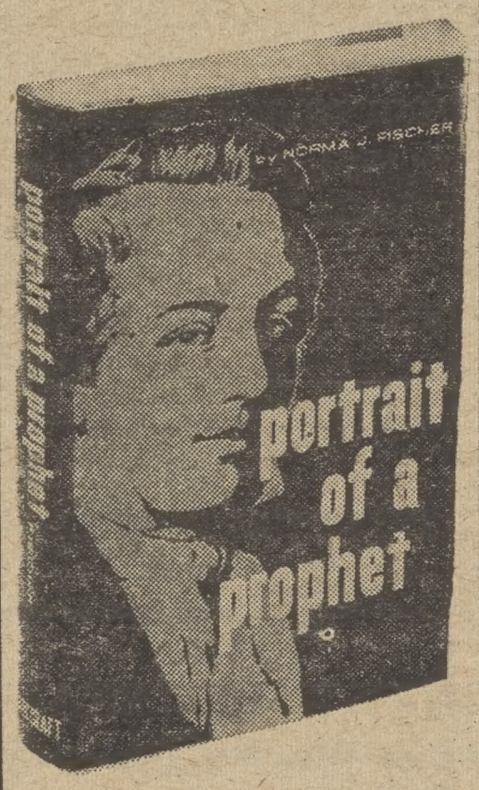

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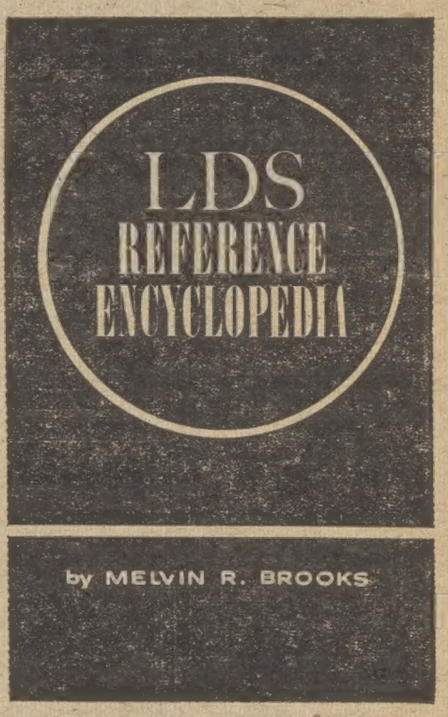

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GEORGE B. HARMON has returned home to Berkeley after completing six months training as a U. S. Army hospital corpsman. George, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W Glenn Harmon, Berkeley 1st Ward was graduated from the Berkeley High School last January and joined the 352nd General Hospital Unit with headquarters at the Oakland Army Base. His first two months training were at Fort Ord and the last four have been at the Brooks Army Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. George has been home a few weeks and will matriculate at the Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah when the fall term opens. He plans to enter the ROTC at BYU.

Oakland 3rd Ward

Art Show Slated For Spring, 1962

By Nannette E. Coulter

Sister Betty David has announced that because of an extremely full schedule slated for the Interstake Center, no convenient dates could be arranged for the contemplated Art Show announced last month in the Messenger. The show has been tentatively re-scheduled for next spring.

The Primary presented a program Aug. 6, which included the graduation of eight girls and one boy into Mutual. Those graduated were Bonnie Christiansen, Rebecca Delphin, Susan Henderson, Bonnie Hilton, Marcie Smith, Nancy Pearce, Mary Larsen, Carolyn Johnson, from the Sea Gull class, and Don Wilson from the Guide Patrol.

Arrivals and departures from the ward are: Nora Lehman to Switzerland for her senior year in high school. Mohana Moo is leaving soon for the Church College in Hawaii. Louis and Isabell Johnson are on a second honeymoon in Hawaii for fifteen days. Nadine Sorenson is home from Europe, this trip a graduation present to Nadine recently graduated from USU. She went as far as Moscow. Larry Smith is home from a mission to Uruguay. Janet Gee is back, rested and tanned from a vacation in Hawaii. Linda Decker and Margaret Grangé are all excited by their experiences in the Hill Cumorah pagaent in New York State.

Mary Ellen Monte was the honored guest at a baby shower given for her at the home of LaVonne Richards recently. Her new baby and second son, David, was blessed by his father, John Monte, at the August fast meeting. Both proud grandmothers were present at the shower and at the meeting.

Merlynn Swenson was recently married in the Los Angeles Temple to Robert Harmon of Utah, son of the John Harmons of Berkeley 2nd Ward. Mariner and Della Swenson of our ward are the bride's parents.

Visitors from afar: Sister Ruby Donnelley had her daughter, Maxine, wife of Ted Hilton, and her children visiting with her for the month of August. Dorothy Burgess has been hostess recently to relatives from Utah.

George Kauwe Is Richmond SS Supt.

By MIMA WILLIAMS

Many changes in the Richmond Ward leadership have been made recently. The position of 2nd counselor in the Sunday School superintendency has been filled with the appointment of George Kauwe. A recent convert, Brother Kauwe was born in Kamula, Hawaii, and is the son of Mrs. Elaine Kauwe. He married Nadine Ozbirn of Richmond, Calif., and they have two children, Rhonda Elaine and George Hogan and he is employed by the Standard Oil Refinery of Richmond, Calif.

The Primary presidency consisting of Eva Ashcroft, Edna Cecil and Fern Barker was released. In their place Jacqueline Hatch was sustained as president with Caroline DeLaMare and Margene Ridge as counselors.

Alaine Wightman and counselors, Annie Ley O'Connor and Beatrice Parsons were released from the Relief Society. Lula Turner was sustained as president with Annie Ley O'Connor as 1st counselor.

Ward organist Bernice McIntyre was released and LuWana Charles sustained. Sister Charles is the wife of Elder William Charles and has recenty moved into the ward from BYU.

Chairman LeRoy J. Rhoades of the genealogical committee was released and Donald Keith Turner sustained as chairman with John William Ridge as committee member.

CUB PACK CHARTER

The Cub Scout Charter was presented to Primary President Jacqueline Hatch by Elmer Lamar Emmons, Assistant District Scout Executive, Mt. Diablo Council, BSA.

Officers of the Cub Pack for the 8-10 year-old boys are Committee Chairman Lyle Allen Carson, Cubmaster Robert Baker, Institutional Representative Calvin Hall, and Den Mothers Evelyn Amtoft and Hope McDaniel.

A ward family evening was held featuring a pot-luck supper and movie under the direction of Robert McIntyre, president of the elder's quorum.

The new motion picture projection equipment was presented to the ward recently by the Dr.William A. Elsasser family. The next family type movie, "Operation Madball," will be held August 18 at 8 p.m.

The ward extends greetings of wecome to Susan Kay Berg; Marie Ann Redmond; Laura LaRae Hamaker and children, Weston Lavan, Therald Ray and Mary Marleah who were baptized recently.

Baby Showers were given for Alaine Wightman, Frances Mahoney, Jean Seegmiller, and LaRee Noner. On the recuperating list and home from the hospital are Frances Mahoney, Louise Dean, Freda Stone and Alaine Wightman.

On the evning of Aug. 11, the 247th Quorum of Seventy held a highly successful and well-attended barbecue and swim party at Dimond Park. The quorum supplied corn-on-the-cob, punch, and watermelon, and quorum members supplied their own meat. All ate heartily, and later a few hardy souls braved the dish-water pool and tried to swim off a few calories. President Louis Johnson has announced a combination Fashion Show and Entertainment with appetizing refreshments to be served, planned for the evening of Oct. 13, with appeal for the whole family.

Our Senior Softball Team has completed a very successful season, winning all interstake games and tying one. In the Division playoff, they won over Napa Stake, 11-2, and then were defeated in extra innings by Centerville Ward of Hayward Stake, 3-2. The members of the team were Joe Allen, Dick Alder, Vernon Burgess, Louis DiPireto, Frank Birch, Ken Reed and Steve Neves. Johnny Johnson, Wes Matheson, Bill Rice, Steve Sorenson, George Tamura, John Morgan, and James Call. The team manager was Lynn Pearce, assisted by Merlin Wells.

WED IN TEMPLE—Arlene R. Teague and Osmond J. Call

University Ward

Ferron Olson Leaves Ward For Teaching Post

By NEWELL MUIRBROOK

Elder Ferron Olson, 1st counselor in University Ward bishopric, accepted a position as associate professor of chemistry at the University of Utah. He was released from the bishopric with a vote of thanks for his long and devoted service.

Dr. Marc Ricks was sustained Aug. 20 as the new first counselor in the University Ward bishopric. Dr. Ricks, a Berkeley physician and surgeon, has served for the past two years as Northern California Mission Sunday School superintendent.

In addition to Dr. Ricks, the bishopric of the ward presently consists of Dilworth D. Jensen, bishop; Robert E. Wilson, second counselor; Lawrence Cannell, ward clerk; and Joseph West and Newell Muirbrook, assistant ward clerks.

Vance and Shirley Roskelley had a healthy, dark haired baby girl July 12, who has since been named Gayle May.

16 WEDDINGS

The sixteen couples who have been married since March have made matrimony the most popular topic of conversation in the University Ward. The first of the spring brides was the former Daleen Tueller who married Curtis Menning in March. Fred and Rennee Bird Spong chose April for their wedding; and in the month of May Frank and Mary Jane Reading Lewis and John and Carol Nielson Franz were married.

Choosing the traditional month of June for their weddings were Gary and Margaret Ann (Peggy) Corcoran Lambert, James and Charlotte Jenugst Mercer, Allen and Myrna Green Chandler, Victor and Marlene Swim Nielson, John and Margo Jo Brown Yerman and Reed and Gwyn Andrus Probst.

In July Richard and Betty Lou Borg Johnson and Richard and Norma Spjut Petersen were married. August marriages were chosen by Robert and Mary Richards Arnstead, Anthony and Anna Bushman Castro, David and Linda Johnson Peterson and David and Judythe Ahlin Ream.

Of course no discussion of weddings in the University Ward would be complete without a mention of the forthcoming marriage of Jean Merrill to Robert Wilson, predicted for September.

San Francisco Ward

O. Call Marries Arlene R. Teague In L.A. Temple

By GEORGE KAIDES

Mr. and Mrs. Osmond J. Call, son of Bishop Thomas O. Call, of the San Francisco Ward, were married in the Los Angeles Temple June 23 by President Benjamin L. Bowring. Mrs. Call is the former Miss Arlene Ruth Teague, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Verl Jesse Tucker of Altadena, Calif. She graduated from Pasadena High School and attended Brigham Young University. The Calls will make their home at 470 West 22nd St., San Pedro, Calif., while Osmond is serving in the 72nd U.S. Army band at Fort MacArthur.

Nancy Rasmussen, wife of Kristian Rasmussen, is in the University of California Hospital. She was struck by an automobile and suffered a crushed right leg. After five months in the hospital and a series of operations, she tried to return home. She learned that the operations were unsuccessful and she will have to undergo repeated operations. Nancy has put up a brave struggle and has been cheerful, but she would be helped and her morale lifted if any of our good sisters or brothers would find time to visit her at the University of California Hospital.

San Francisco Ward has some newly appointed leaders, as follows: George Hessenthaler is the new superintendent of MIA; Donald Tanner is the new age group counselor; Shirley Rodgers is the new second counselor of primary; Glenda Owen is the new secretary of primary; Rene Chaffee is the new chairman of the ward education committee; and three new primary teachers, Carol Brown, Sharon Alger and Alice Rowe.

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Castro Valley 2nd Ward

Diamond - O Trip For Troop 738

By Glenna M. Stephens

Scout Troop 738 of Castro Valley 2nd Ward, under the guidance of George Blazin, scoutmaster, Leonard Hancock, assistant, and Herman Christensen, Troop Committee chairman, spent a week at Diamond -O in July. They received many of the merit badges awarded there. On August 20, this troop leaves on a primitive pack-in where there are no trails. It will be a survival test.

Bishop Herbert Marshs' family joined him at San Diego and took a trip through Disneyland before they returned home.

Connie Parker has been attending a vocational training school in Provo, Utah, to become a medical assistant. She has been living with Dr. and Mrs. Marlow Harston while in Provo. She will return to Castro Valley the end of August.

August 27 wil be College Night at sacrament meeting. Speakers will be Alice Osler, Connie Christensen, Carolyn Pouton, Nanette Bailey, to attend BYU. Linda Kinner, San Mateo University and Dick Murphy to a California University.

Single Adults Make Organization Plans

An organizational meeting under the direction of the Interstake High Council will be held with the officers of the Singles Group to plan for the activities of the single people of the four stakes in the East Bay. Suggestions are invited for a new name, for dues, and for activities.

All unmarried members of the Church who would like to affiliate with the group are asked to be in attendance at the first two meetings of the new year: the first Sunday in September, and the first Sunday in October, at 8:00 p.m. in the Oakland 4th Ward, 4705 Virginia Street.

Subsequent meetings and activities will be announced in the Messenger.

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Berkeley 2nd Ward

Jay Wright, Bob Allison in MIA Herbert Layton to Stake Mission

Jay Wright was sustained as new superintendent of Berkeley 2nd Ward YMMIA, with Robert Allison as age group assistant. The activity assistant has not been selected. Charles Haynes is the new secretary. Herbert F. Layton, former superintendent, and his wife, Sharon have been called on stake missions. Joseph Edvalson, former secretary, is now a counselor in the elders' quorum presidency. Janet Dunham and martha Gill were sustained as counselors to Bessie Roberts, Y W M M I A president with Jeanne Wright remaining as secretary.

The Ferron Olson family moved to Salt Lake City this past month where Ferron is now Associate Professor of Metals Research dealing with surface chemistry. Ferron has been counselor in the University Ward bishopric and his wife has served most recently in our Relief Society presidency. Ferron has also served as Webelos leader in the Cub Pack. Ferron, Donna and several of the children were feted at parties prior to their departure. Donna and the younger children remained in the Los Angeles area for a couple of weeks due to the illness of her mother.

NEW R. S. OFFICERS

LaVerne Paulson was sustained as counselor in the ward Relief Society replacing Donna Olson. Janice Bowman was sustained as work director and June Ellis, literary teacher, replacing Libby Freeman and Margaret Owens, who were released.

Robert Olson, son of George and Sally, was one of Oakland-Berkeley Stake's representatives at the Athletes for Christ conference in Estes Park, Colorado, August 13-19. On his return trip his parents met him at Winnemucca and they went on to the Weiser, Idaho, area for fishing and visiting.

Robert Nord and Peter Roland are in a contingent of Explorers touring Japan under the auspices of the U. S. Navy. Fifteen Explorers and three leaders from Oakland-Berkeley Stake are making the trip which was arranged and is being led by Robert DeCelle, Explorer advisor of Alameda Ward. Five boys from our ward were members of the group with Alameda Ward last year on a similar trip.

Nineteen Explorers, Scouts, and leaders floated down the Russian River in a shakedown experience before tackling the Sacramento River on rafts for a two-day expedition to follow in a few weeks.

TIME ARTICLE

Of special interest to members of Berkeley 2nd Ward was the story and accompanying picture in the August 11, issue of Time magazine concerning LDS missionary work in Europe. The story featured a picture of David Owens and Edward Corbett with some German saints in Berlin. David and Edward are serving in Berlin where David is mission counselor and Edward is mission secretary. (David surprised his parents by calling from Berlin to wish the Bishop and Margaret a happy 25th anniversary.)

Marian Corbett just returned from visiting daughters Mary and Joan in Dallas, Texas. Marilla Bodily and the children are visiting in Preston, Idaho; Howard will join them soon. Barbara Hulme and family are visiting their family in Camas, Utah, joined this week by David. Ned Clyde's family extended their vacation in Utah, and Ned & Shirlee returned for them last week

Jean Smith was called to Salt Lake City due to the illness of her mother. The family followed two weeks later for their vacation. DeRae Kennedy recently came home to her family after an extended vacation in Europe. Lea Gill's parents from Pocatello, Idaho, were recent visitors here prior to ther departure for a mssion to England.

Some of the other recent vistors to our area are: Vlay Taufer's brother Justin; Lowell Flamm's sister; Janice Gardner's father and mother, the Dixon Burtons from Star Valley, Wyoming, and her uncle and aunt from Arcata; Joy Aschman Pinckney and husband from Pomona; Lettie Hale's father O. C. Raymond, her sister, Almira Allen and husband, and nephew Raymond Allen with his family.

CAMP LIAHONA

Fifteen girls from our ward participated in the stake girls camp at Liahona (near Pinecrest) in the high Sierras, under the leadership of counselors Lora Beth Larson and Dolores Fairchild. Other leaders from our ward who participated were: Fae Lloyd, camp director, Etta Lou Hawkins, chief cook, Clyde Rasmussen, handyman, and Lois Sconberg, staff.

A BYU scholarship based on leadership was won by Don Carpenter, son of Alvin and Hortense Carpenter. The scholarship covers tuition and general fees. Don was student body president during the past year at El Cerrito High School.

Olea Woolf, ward Messenger reporter, with husband Tony and family are vacationing in Idaho. Marlene, age 5, had an attack requiring emergency appendectomy at Blackfoot, Idaho, which hampered vacation plans.

Anne Beckett is recovering satisfactorily from serious surgery.

Oakland 4th Ward

Stake Leaders to Attend Social

Stake leaders will attend a special social for Senior Members of the Aaronic Priesthood, unordained men and their partners, of the Oakland 4th Ward, Wednesday, Sept. 6, at the ward recreation hall.

Annual ward conference sessions for the Oakland 4th Ward will be held at MIA,, Sept. 12, and at all sessions Sunday, Sept. 17. There will be a special session for ward officers.

September's Welfare Dinner will be held during ward conference week, on Sept. 1 . The ward Primary association will be in charge of the dinner and entertainment for the ward dinner.

In a message to ward members, Bishop Leland H. Wright pointed out the importance of supporting these monthly dinners in order to raise welfare funds. In addition, he reminded members of the need for receiving ward budget payments. The fiscal year which just ended in August can close "in the black" he said, if members will complete their 1960-61 assessments. Ward budget monies maintain physical facilities and pay for supplies for all programs and also financially support special ward affairs such as the Christmas Party.

The 1961 fall school for senior members of the Aaronic Priesthood, unordained men, and their partners will begin Tuesday, September 12. First speaker on opening night will be Grant Hawkins, first counselor in the ward bishopric. Director of the school is A. K. Bramwell, instructor for senior members. General secretary is Douglas Bennion.

A reorganization of the ward YMMIA has resulted in former age group assistant, Dean Hardy, becoming superintendent. He will be assisted by Phil Hatori as age group assistant, and Weldon Sudweeks will remain as activity assistant. Henry MacKnight was released as superintendent.

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Sydne graduated from Las Lomas High School in 1960, where she was a representative of Girls State, vice president of girls league, rally commissioner, a member of the student council, and a winner in the Lions Club speech contest.

During her first year at Stanford, she participated in the Deseret Club, Political Union and House government.

She will go to Italy on Stanford's overseas program. The university has several campuses abroad, including extensions in France and Germany. Eighty students, forty men and forty women, go to Florence to study for six months.

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R. Walker Promoted to Supervisor In Battle Creek; Stokers Return

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Robert Walker, an employee of the Kellogg Company since 1952, has been promoted to assistant Materials handling supervisor for the company's plant in Battle Creek, Michigan. He and his family went there by car taking their vacation at the same time. They stopped in Salt Lake City to visit his family then went to Yellowstone Park and various other points of interest along the way.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Stoker, Sr., arrived home from a trip to Utah and Wyoming where they visited friends and relatives. They made it back just in time to say goodbye to their daughter Jacqueline Walker and family who left the next morning for Michigan where her husband has been transferred. Then Sister Stoker received the sad news that her mother had passed away rather suddenly on July 25. She lived in Long Beach, California.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Otto Hines have returned from an extended vacation in Oregon.

Sister Evelyn Christensen was sustained as a teacher in the Sunday School.

On July 24, the two San Leandro Wards held a reunion at Chabot Park and enjoyed an evening of visiting, games, and good food with watermelons in abundance.

The San Leandro Ward dinner was held July 28, at Chabot Park and was well attended. The weather was favorable, and there was plenty of hot dogs, hamburgers, salads, corn on the cob, and watermelons.

In sacrament meeting July 23, Sister Alice Brennan was released as Era director, Christina Pitcher as teacher in the YWMIA, Sister Winifred Heath as junior Sunday School coordinator, and Sister Mary Kiser as president of the YWMIA.

Sister Winifred Heath was sustained as president of the YWMIA. Sister Ardith Green was sustained as Junior Sunday School coordinator. Elton Flaner was sustained as 1st assistant superintendent of the Sunday School and Lawrence D. Allpin as 2nd Assistant Superintendent of the Sunday School. Arthur Q. Wood is Superintendent of the Sunday School

Newest Ward

Oakgrove Ward's First Missionary

Gordon Creer , son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman B. Creer, 1176 Almendra Ct., Concord, is the first full-time missionary to be sent from the new Oakgrove Ward.

Gordon, whose mission will lead him to Stuttgart, Germany, was honored at a farewell testimonial at the Concord Chapel August 20.

He arrived in Salt Lake City August 28, where he made final preparations with other LDS missionaries who were also to depart for various parts of the world. He was scheduled to arrive in Germany on September 4.

SCHOOLING

A 1959 graduate of Mt. Diablo High School, Gordon has completed three semesters at Brigham Young University as a economics-business major.

The missionary's father, Norman Creer, is the Walnut Creek Stake president and is also the Works Auditor for Columbia Geneva Steel Division, Pittsburg.

The Concord 1st , Concord 2nd, and Oakgrove Ward elders groups held a swimming party Friday night, July 28, at the new Meadow Homes Pool.

Members were able to swim in the moonlite waters for two hours before going to the home of Bill and Rea Rader for hamburgers.

A few of the numerous notables who cooled off that evening were: The Vince Woods, Lewis Allens, Daniel Nulls, Marion Caldwells, Cecil Shorts, Al Thomases, Don Linds, Bill Raders, Chester Shurtleffs, Leon Westovers, Lynn Davises, Gordon Langrens, and Stan Manns.

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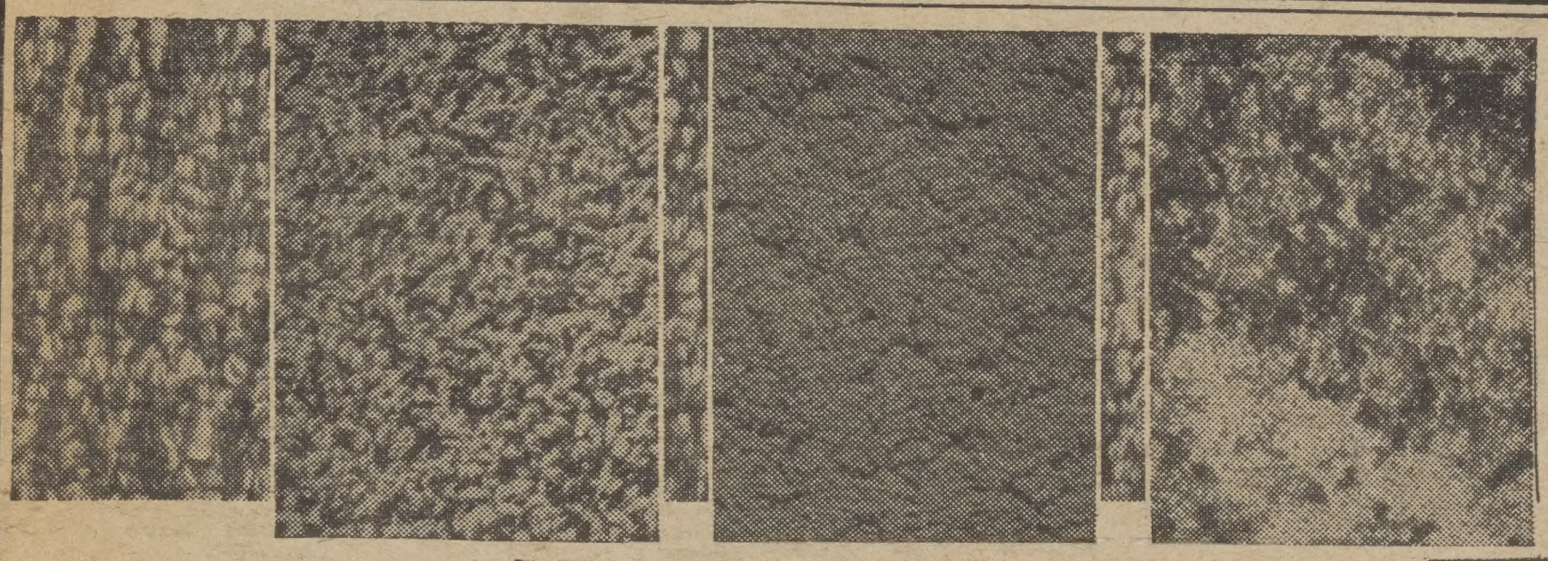

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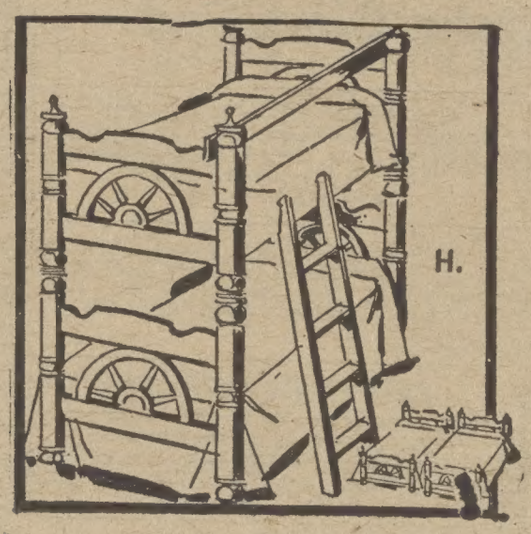

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